

We Claim:

1. Duloxetine, for use in the treatment of a disorder in a patient having a disorder, wherein the disorder is:

5 inflammatory bowel disease (IBD),  
functional bowel disorders (FBD),  
dyspepsia,  
ileitis,  
ischemic bowel disease,  
10 irritable bowel syndrome,  
gastroesophageal reflux, and  
diarrhea.

2. A use of Claim 1 wherein the disorder is irritable bowel syndrome.

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3. The use of duloxetine for the manufacture of a medicament for treating a disorder in a patient wherein the disorder is as claimed in any one of claims 1 or 2.

4. A pharmaceutical composition for treating a disorder in a patient,  
20 comprising duloxetine as the active ingredient, associated with one or more  
pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, wherein the disorder is as claimed in any one of  
Claims 1 or 2.